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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PEPR, GR, US  
SUBJECT: LEAKAGE

1. FOREIGN MINISTER RALLIS TOLD ME TODAY HE HAD BEEN SHOWN A LEAKED EMBASSY TELEGRAM WHEN HE WAS IN WASHINGTON FOR THE NATO SUMMIT. ITS CONTENT, WHICH HE SAID HE COULD NOT RECALL, WAS OF LESS CONSEQUENCE THAN THE FACT THAT IT HAD BEEN LEAKED. IT WAS SHOWN TO HIM, HE SAID, BY A "PRIVATE" PERSON WHO RALLIS WAS CONVINCED OBTAINED IT FROM DEMETRACOPOLOUS. RALLIS PREFERRED NOT TO IDENTIFY HIS SOURCE BUT WANTED TO BRING THE MATTER TO MY ATTENTION SINCE IT WAS NOW ONE OF CONCERN FOR BOTH GOVERNMENTS.

2. I TOLD RALLIS WE HAD BEEN IRRITATED FOR SOME TIME ABOUT WHAT SEEMED TO BE A PATTERN OF INDISCRIMINATE LEAKAGE OF COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN ATHENS AND WASHINGTON AND THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD INITIATED AN INVESTIGATION. WE SUSPECTED ALSO THAT DEMETRACOPOLOUS

WAS A RECIPIENT BUT TO MY KNOWLEDGE WE HAD FAILED SO FAR TO FIX RESPONSIBILITY INSIDE GOVERNMENT. I RECOUNTED SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES THE EMBASSY HAS EXPERIENCED IN RECENT MONTHS BEFORE HE BECAME FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. AFTER A DISCUSSION OF OTHER TOPICS (TO BE REPORTED  
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SEPTTEL), RALLIS REFERRED TO THE PROBLEM AGAIN AS I WAS LEAVING HIS OFFICE.

4. I INTEND TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM AT THE CHIEFS OF MISSION MEETING IN LONDON. MEANWHILE, I TRUST THAT WASHINGTON WILL CONTINUE TO PRESS THE INVESTIGATION. HAVE THERE BEEN ANY RESULTS.  
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